I hereby certify that the spondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to:

**PATENT** 

Attorney Docket No.: 020375-047500US

MAIL STOP: Missing Parts Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

On \_\_\_\_\_\_ March 2, 2004

TOWNSEND and CREW LLP

By: Cindy Rennett

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Dr. Amber Gravett et al.

Application No.: 10/714,437

Filed: November 14, 2003

For: OPEN LOOP STORED VALUE SYSTEM

Customer No.: 20350

Confirmation No. 9372

Examiner:

Unassigned

Technology Center/Art Unit:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

MAIL STOP: Missing Parts Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.